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## MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No(s). 60/448,473 and 60/457,767 filed on February 21, 2003 and March 24, 2003, respectively.

Inventor(s): Craig FRENCH

For: CABLE TRANSPORT SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR LOADING AND

UNLOADING SPOOLS

## Enclosed are:

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$\boxtimes$	A specification consisting of twenty-six (26) pages
$\boxtimes$	Fifteen (15) sheet(s) of formal drawings
	Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). filed in on .  Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.  Certified copy(ies) will follow.
$\boxtimes$	Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow





$\boxtimes$	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
	Preliminary Amendment
	Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
$\boxtimes$	Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
	Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
	Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
	Other:
	Provisional application filed in English:  X YES NO
	If "NO," an English translation with a Statement of Accuracy:  is attached hereto  will follow.

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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$290.00		+ \$145.00	
		TOTAL	\$0.00	)	\$385	00

- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- A check in the amount of \$385.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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